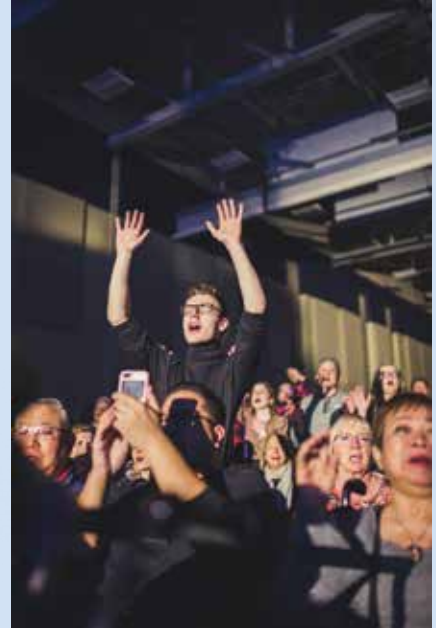




SAINT JAMES PARISH

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS



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MARCH 19
2023

*BE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.
MAKE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

A MESSAGE FROM...

Today's Readings

First Reading:

Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.
(1 Sm 16:13)

Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
(Ps 23)

Second Reading:

"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."
(Eph 5:14)

Gospel:

He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed, and came back able to see.
(Jn 9:6-7)



"That man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed my eyes, and said to me: Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash. And I went, I washed, and I see."

~ John 9:11

In today's Gospel, we hear the amazing story of the healing of the man born blind. Jesus desires to heal all people and give them new sight. Sometimes we speak of the "eyes of faith." Coming to faith in Jesus Christ really does change how we see and understand ourselves and others and the world around us.

Our catechumens and candidates have been coming to know and love the Lord and His Church in a more intimate way. Let's keep them in prayer over this next month as they complete their preparation and receive the Easter sacraments and become full members of the Body of Christ.

Last weekend, we held our SEEK conference and the Matt Maher concert. What a joyful time for St. James. The concert was attended by over a thousand people, and it was a real celebration of faith. This has been in the works for four years. The pandemic delayed it

for a significant time, but finally it happened. This was organized and arranged by our FOCUS missionaries, Matt Marcheschi and Sarra Stanley. They are doing tremendous work in evangelization here at St. James, and I am very grateful for them and the fruitful work they do.

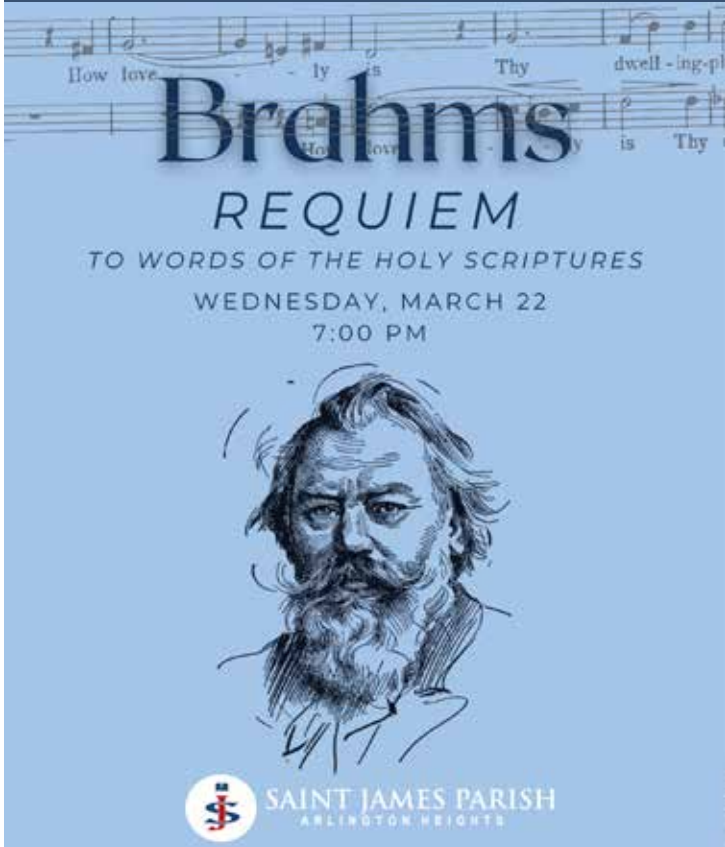
As we celebrate this Laetare Sunday ("Rejoice Sunday"), we know that the victory of Easter is imminent. The Resurrection of Jesus is almost here.



Rejoice. St. Joseph and St. Patrick, pray for us.

Fr. Ed

MARCH EVENTS





How love - ly is Thy dwell - ing - place
How love - ly is Thy

Brahms

REQUIEM

TO WORDS OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22
7:00 PM



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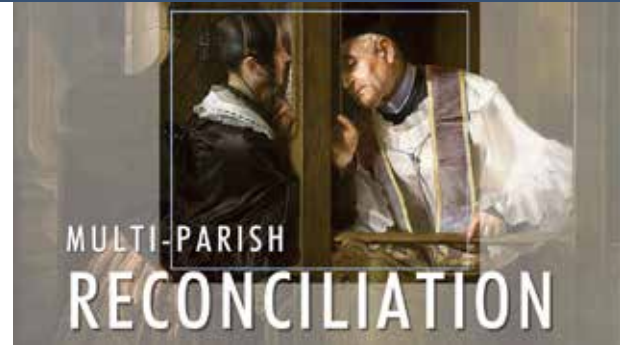
Concert this Wednesday

The St. James Parish Music Ministry will present the Requiem by Johannes Brahms on Wednesday, March 22 at 7:00 pm in the church.

Originally premiered in 1868, this landmark work for orchestra, chorus and soloists takes its text from Scripture. It is a prayerful meditation on the truth of the resurrection of the dead.

St. James Music Director Tamaron Conseur will conduct the chorus and chamber orchestra. Our chorus, made up of parishioners and community members, is joined by soloists Dan Richardson (bass) and Sarah van der Ploeg (soprano).

There is no cost to attend the concert. A free-will collection will be taken up.



Receive Grace & Forgiveness Before Easter

On March 27-30 St. James will partner with local parishes to offer reconciliation services.

Don't miss the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter; plan to attend one of the services listed below. A number of priests will hear individual confessions.

- Monday, March 27 • 7 p.m.
Our Lady of the Wayside
- Tuesday, March 28 • 3 p.m.
St. Edna
- Tuesday, March 28 • 7 p.m.
St. Mary
- Wednesday, March 29 • 7 p.m.
St. James
- Thursday, March 30 • 3 p.m.
St. Colette

*No confessions at St. James on
Tuesday, 3/28;
Holy Hour remains at St. James on
Thursday, 3/30*



Lenten Outreach

Free Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate Surgeries

The Archdiocese of Chicago is at a pivotal moment of structural and spiritual renewal, and that is a cause for great hope. We take up this effort at a moment in which the United States bishops have launched a Eucharistic Revival.

This convergence reminds us that true renewal of the Church always involves recovering the importance of the Eucharistic celebration as the source and summit of our life as Catholics.

From the Eucharistic celebration flows all the Church's prayer, activities and ministries. Pope Francis recently wrote that "the Christian faith is either an encounter with Him alive or it does not exist."

Join us in Vicariate I to unite in prayer for renewal and revival as we deepen the union with Christ and each other which we experience at Mass, by coming together for this celebration of exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament led by our Auxiliary Bishop, Most Rev. Jeffrey Grob.

Tuesday, March 21
7:00 pm
St. Emily
1400 East Central Road
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056

Foundation for Children in Need has successfully organized free cleft lip and cleft palate surgeries for the the past nine years. 2,000 children and even some adults have benefited from these life-changing surgeries. The procedures take place at GSR Hospital in Hyderabad, India each month.

In order to assist the children, F.C.N. staff members receive a phone call from a family in need and set up the appointment. They then meet before the surgeries and follow up afterwards.

Desperate to receive help, families travel ten to fifteen hours by bus or train to receive care. They are provided food, accommodations and travel expenses.

\$100 will help a child. This donation is to pay for nutritious food following the surgery and for travel expenses as well as for the salaries of F.C.N. surgery

program coordinators.

Please consider bringing hope and a smile to a needy child.

We remember you all and pray for you in a special way.

God bless you!

Dr. Geetha Yeruva and Tom Chitta
 Founders of F.C.N.

Foundation for Children in Need Lenten Outreach cups may be returned to the Parish office anytime during Lent, or to the church on March 25-26. Please do not bring them to church before then.



FAMILY EVENT

BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS



Bring a family Easter basket to be blessed & share that basket as a family on Easter.

Please also bring non-perishable food items to be blessed and donated to the Wheeling Township Food Pantry.

&

EASTER EGG HUNT

FOR THE LITTLE BUNNIES - WALKERS THROUGH 3RD GRADE

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

12:00 -12:15 pm blessing of baskets in the church
12:15 -1:30 pm egg hunt & pictures with the bunny
south grass adjacent to the church parking lot

This free, parish-wide event is sponsored by the St. James School FSA. All bunnies are welcome!



REGISTER
BY
MARCH 31



SAINT JAMES PARISH
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

LIFE TEEN

GRADES 9-12
SUNDAYS AT 6 PM

Take a break and a breather and gather together with other high school students to explore and openly discuss topics that help our understanding of who God is and who He made us to be.



SUMMER MISSION TRIP

PUERTO RICO
GR. 10-12 | \$1800 | JUNE 19-24

MONTAGUE, MI
GR. 8-12 | \$650 | JUNE 18-24

Life Teen at St. James is ready for another summer of mission away! Spaces are limited, but we hope you join us as we go outside of ourselves to serve the respective communities with other high school students from across the country!

SUPPORT OUR TEENS

**Some give by going.
Others go by giving.**

Please prayerfully consider supporting our teens on mission! All donations are tax deductible when using the QR code (right) or when your donations are made to "St. James" with "Life Teen Summer Mission" in the memo.

Thank you!



FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Join us as we come together to
Shine Jesus' Light

VBS 2023
JUNE 12-16, 2023
PK-5th Grade



**ADULT & TEEN
VOLUNTEERS
WELCOME!!!**

Teens: Grades 6-12



**REGISTRATION
Opens APRIL 1st!**



Need more info!?!?
stjamesvbs@stjamesah.org

WOMEN'S
WELCOME
RETREAT

A ONE DAY RETREAT

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THE GLORY OF THE LORD HAS DAWNED UPON YOU
Isaiah 60:1

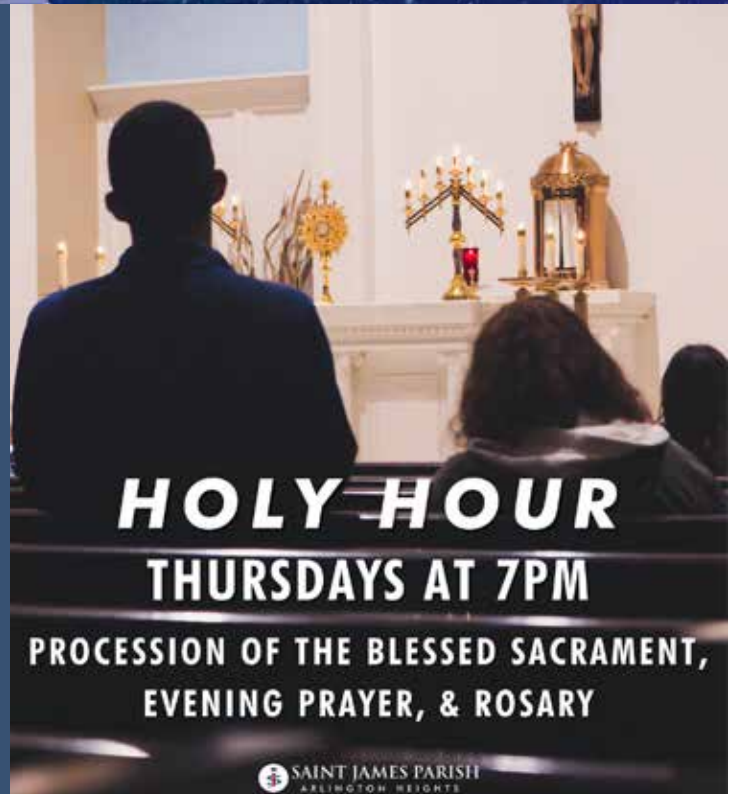
REGISTER TODAY



bit.ly/womens-welcome-23

SAINT JAMES PARISH

WELCOME



HOLY HOUR
THURSDAYS AT 7PM

**PROCESSION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT,
EVENING PRAYER, & ROSARY**

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PARISH UPDATES

 **SAINT JAMES PARISH**
AURIFLOR HEIGHTS

2022 Beneficiaries

Connections to Care
Family Forward
Fire Foundation
Foundation for Children in Need
Knights of Columbus
Little Sisters of the Poor
Loaves and Fishes Ministry
Misericordia Homes
PADS & St. Vincent de Paul
Safer Foundation

SALUTE, Inc.
Sarah's Circle
Sisters of the Living Word
St. Agatha Catholic Church, Chicago
St. Gall Catholic Church, Chicago
St. James School
St. James School Tuition Assistance
St. Malachy Catholic Church, Chicago
The Women's Center
Victor House of Hospitality

Embrace 2022
Jubilation

St. James Community,

Our sincere and humble thanks to all who supported our 2022 Jubilation Gala. It is because of your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure that the event was such a success. We are forever grateful. We are proud to contribute \$148,000 to amazing organizations that are dedicated to serving others and enriching the lives of so many. These programs provide:

- Health Care Support
- Humanitarian Services
- Veteran's Support
- General Support for St. James School
- Elderly & Pastoral Care
- Homeless Support & Housing
- Special Needs Care
- Tuition Assistance for Religious Education & St. James School

Please save the date for our 29th annual Jubilation which will be held on Saturday, November 4, 2023!

With Sincere Gratitude,

Mike & Krista Coleman
2021-2022 Co-Chair

and Steve & Patti Denten
2022-2023 Co-Chair



ARCHDIOCESE SURVEY

On behalf of the Archdiocese, our parish is releasing the Disciple Makers Index Survey to all parishioners with the goal of learning where parishioners are in their faith journeys and how the local church can help them grow in that faith.

It is a 75 question survey, which should take 10 to 15 minutes to complete. The survey closes on March 31, before the start of Holy Week.

All responses are anonymous, and St. James will only receive information about the community as a whole.

Please use this link to take the survey:
<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/g5kp14>

 **SAINT JAMES PARISH**
MUSIC MINISTRY

Children's Choir Open House

Sunday, April 16 * after 11:30 Mass





Upcoming Friday Fish Fries

Lenten Fridays: 3/17, 3/24, 3/31
Hours: 5:00 – 7:30 pm

The Knights of Columbus Hall
15 N Hickory Avenue
Arlington Heights, IL

Adults: \$15
Children 5 to 12: \$8
Children under 5: Free
Carryout: \$13

Fish dinner includes: deep-fried cod, tater tots, coleslaw, mostaccioli with marinara sauce, cornbread muffins and complimentary coffee and tea. Full cash bar including free refills on soda.

Help support parish youth ministries and Special Olympics.



Palm Collection

Used palms are being collected now through Sunday, April 2.

Look for the Palm Collection Box in the church gathering space.

Please do not bring your palms to the parish office.



Easter Remembrances

St. James invites you to be a part of our annual "remembrance" in honor or memory of a loved one. Donations will help us provide decoration to our church at Eastertime, and the names of those being remembered will be published in the April 9 bulletin.

To create an Easter Remembrance, please fill out the form below & place it in an envelope marked "Easter Remembrance." We kindly ask for a monetary donation of \$25 per remembrance.

You may include cash or check (made out to St James Parish with Easter Remembrance noted) with your submission. Submissions may be dropped in collection boxes at church or the parish office or can be mailed in. We can accept remembrances no later than March 31.

Thank you ~ St James Liturgical Environment Ministry

IN MEMORY OF: (please print)

REMEMBERED BY: (please print)

OUR PRAYERS AND INTENTIONS

In Loving Memory

Margaret Amato
Ruth Weber
Marco Chirchirillo

Please Pray for Our Sick

Carrie Wilson
Norine Naselli
Tresie Curcio
James Malapanes, Sr.
Charles Walberg
Audrey Beauvais

Rose for Life

The Vincent Family in loving memory of Dale Vincent on the 25th anniversary of her death.

Recent Baptisms

Emily Grace Drasler, child of
Benjamin Drasler and Rachel (Baker) Drasler

Celebrant Schedule, March 25-26

5:00 Fr. Paul Stein
7:00 Fr. Paul Barwikowski
8:30 Fr. Paul Barwikowski
10:00 Fr. Ed Pelrine
11:30 Fr. Ed Pelrine
5:00 Fr. Paul Stein

Readings for the Week of March 19

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/
Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18,
22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or
11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 18

5:00 James Moran

Sunday, March 19 4th Sunday of Lent

8:30 Jessica Mc Namara
Cornelius Vanderwiel, Jr.
Francesca McDonald (2nd Anniv.)
10:00 For the people of the parish
11:30 Jim Hahn
Abdallah & Carmen Kaba
Debbie Simon
5:00 Art Massa

Monday, March 20 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tom Clark (1st Anniv.)
Marcin Bukowski
Paul Schmidt
Art Massa (14th Anniv.)
John F. Kordek
Richard Scher

Tuesday, March 21

Mary Virginia Moriarty (1st Anniv.)
Arthur Bland
Kenneth Paxon
Gregory Galvez
Eleanor P. Whitehead

Wednesday, March 22

Emily M. Piergalski
Anne Liszka
Julia Luczak
John Faerber
Henry Blazej

Thursday, March 23 St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Jean Andejaski (1st Anniv.)
Ron J. Resac
Richard Lyons (31st Anniv.)
John Micheli
Mark Farrar
Donald A. Smith (3rd Anniv.)

Friday, March 24

Joseph Berlingieri
Walter Zettlmeier
Jack Gavin

Saturday, March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord

7:30 Patricia Marquis (1st Anniv.)
Edward Walsh

PARISH MINISTRIES

Earth Shepherds provides opportunities to learn about the relationship between Scripture, Catholic Social Teaching and our responsibility to be stewards of God's Creation. sjearthshepherds@gmail.com

Loaves and Fishes Ministry provides lunches for those experiencing homelessness in Chicago's Uptown neighborhood. stjameslandf@gmail.com

Men of St. James provides opportunities for Christian fellowship through social, spiritual and service activities for men of the parish at least 21 years of age. msj@stjamesah.org

Ministers of Care bring the Holy Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to leave their homes or are in care homes. Ministry volunteers must complete a mandatory training session and follow Archdiocesan guidelines. ministryofcare@stjamesah.org

Ministry of Praise gives members the opportunity to offer their prayers to God for special intentions to help others in their need. ministryofpraise@stjamesah.org

Moms Plus provides support and fellowship to Catholic moms. This group is part of Women of St. James. momspius@stjamesah.org

Over 50 Social Club provides social outings, game days, cards, speakers, parties, current events/news and spirituality to any parishioner over the age of 50. stecstan@sbcglobal.net

PADS Outreach provides safety, temporary shelter and services to the unhoused. st.james.pads@gmail.com

Parish Pastoral Council serves as a representative body of the St. James parish community, guided by the Holy Spirit. PPC@stjamesah.org

Peace & Justice Ministry educates the faithful on the Catholic social teachings, supports and complements parish ministries and empowers people to transform lives and society, both locally and globally. Meets the last Tuesday of each month. peaceandjustice@stjamesah.org

Respect Life Ministry strives to transform society into a Culture of Life where every human being is valued and protected from the moment of conception until natural death. mschoney@astound.net

Stepping Stones raises awareness, promotes understanding and prevents relational violence by educating communities and providing referrals to victims and survivors of emotional, financial, physical and sexual abuse. (IL Domestic Violence Helpline: 877-863-6338), steppingstones@stjamesah.org

St. Vincent de Paul provides emergency, short-term financial help for parishioners and others living within the parish boundaries. For information on volunteering for or using this service, call the Parish Office followed by x8517. Please leave a message and one of our volunteers will call you back. Be assured that all requests for assistance are handled with care and confidentiality. parishoffice@stjamesah.org

Wheels to Worship drives people to church and shares in the Mass with St. James parishioners who cannot drive themselves. wheelstoworship@stjamesah.org

Women of St. James provides support to Catholic women who are committed to growing and sharing their faith through sisterhood and service. wojministryleads@gmail.com

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Lenten Reflections Concert, March 19

Former longtime cantor at St. James, Mary Ann Beatty and pianist Mark James Meier, will present a one-hour concert on Sunday, March 19 at 4:00 p.m. The free concert is part of the 5-Week WORSHIP & MUSIC Lenten Reflections Concert Series held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 119th Street & Lincoln Avenue, in Whiting, Indiana—just 45 minutes from Arlington Heights, via the Skyway. A free-will offering will be taken.

Saint Viator High School Summer Camps

St. Viator is excited to bring you a variety of summer camp offerings for all ages! From Swimming and Soccer to Theater and Service & Song, Saint Viator has you covered. We hope that you will join us for some summer fun! Families can register here: saintviator.8to18.com/accounts/login

Clothing Donation Drive Through March 26

Catholic Charities Women's Board of Lake County is holding a Clothing Donation Drive for the Round Lake Clothing Room that welcomes close to fifty visitors a day. Donations can be dropped off in the back of church at St. Mary's Parish, 201 E. Illinois Road in Lake Forest from March 11 through March 26. Gently worn or new, clean clothing for women, men and children will be gratefully accepted. Only new/unopened undergarments, please.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps Virtual Info Session, March 21

Join IVC at 3:00 pm CST for a free virtual information session. Are you retired or finished raising your family? Do you want to give back, enrich your spiritual life, and build community with other mature adults? Through the Ignatian Volunteer Corps you can make a difference in your community while living out the values of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Register at <http://ivcusa.org/info>

DON'T FALL BEHIND

STAY CURRENT WITH THIS WEEK'S EVENTS
AND WHAT'S COMING UP AT ST. JAMES

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm St. James Collective
Sunday 7:00 am Cantor and Organ
Sunday 8:30 am Traditional Choir & Organ
Sunday 10:00 am Contemporary Choir
Sunday 11:30 am Contemporary Choir
Sunday 5:00 pm Praise & Worship Ensemble

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday – Saturday Mass at 7:30 am

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

The office will be closed on weeknights until further notice.
Thank you for your patience.

Sacraments & Devotions

Baptism - Please call the Parish Office with preferred date at least one month in advance.

Marriage - At least six months prior to your wedding date, please contact the Parish Office about setting a date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - in the church

Tuesday – 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Saturday – 8:00 - 9:00 am following daily Mass

Holy Hour - Thursday 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the church for procession of the blessed sacrament, evening prayer, rosary.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel - 6:00 am - 8:00 pm daily; 24 hours a day for committed adorers with access code. adoration@stjamesah.org

TO STAY UP TO DATE AND BE INSPIRED DAILY

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LENT

Prayer, Devotions & Sacraments

Lenten Noon Mass: Each Monday-Friday in Lent

Stations of the Cross: Fridays in Lent
(February 24 - March 31) at 7:00 pm

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